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PRINCIPAL DEVELOPMENTS

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In Vietnam, the apparent decline in infiltration continues. (Page 1)

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NORTH VIETNAM

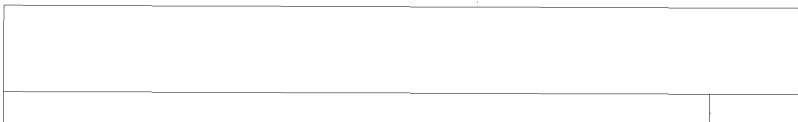
Only one infiltration group of about 400 men has been detected entering the infiltration system in North Vietnam so far this month. Although slightly over 2,000 additional troops have been monitored farther down the system in Laos, these apparently set out prior to January.

The apparent lull in infiltration has now entered its fourth week. Since a major way station at the northern end of the pipeline had previously advised its contacts that a new group would be setting forth nightly between 5 and 10 January.

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COMMUNIST CHINA - US



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Adding to the current chill wind from Peking was the Foreign Ministry statement of Monday that, although breaking no new ground, strongly denounced recent US actions in Indochina. Peking gives no sign of seeing a likelihood of an early resumption of the Warsaw talks. Chinese propaganda, however, continues to avoid bilateral issues dividing Washington and Peking, indicating that China has not closed the door to an eventual resumption of Sino-US contacts.

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Uganda: No signs of serious resistance to General Amin's coup have yet developed, and he appears to have a substantial measure of popular support for his ouster of President Obote. None of the other senior army officers has yet been identified as a participant in the coup, however, and some question remains as to Amin's ability to control the army. Obote claimed in a press conference in Dar es Salaam, where he flew from Nairobi yesterday, that he intends to return to Uganda, but he seems unlikely to do so unless Amin's position deteriorates.

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